

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Preliminarily, the Applicants note that the cover sheet to the Office Action of June 29, 2004 indicates that claims 61-170 are pending. However, Applicants note claims 63, 64, and 78 were cancelled by Supplemental Amendment dated September 17, 2003. Applicants therefore kindly request confirmation that the Supplemental Amendment has been entered.

With respect to the required species election, Applicants elect the compound represented as Compound VIII in the specification. Claims 61, 62, 65-67, 69-73, 76-78, 80-82, 84-88, 91-97, 99-103, 106-111, 114-116, 124, 125, 128-134, 140-142, 146-151, 158-160, 163, 164 and 167 read on the elected species.

Further, amendments to claim 114 and the specification have been made herein to correct typographical errors noted in the application.

In view of the foregoing, the claims are now believed to be in form for allowance, and such action is hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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